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SUBJ: TRAVEL OF MALAYSIAN CULTURAL TROUPE

1. ARRANGEMENTS ARE BEING MADE TO SEND FIRST EVER MALAYSIAN CULTURAL TROUPE TO U.S. TROUPE IS NINE MEMBER QUOTE SRI SETIA KELANTAN SHADOW PUPPET GROUP UNQUOTE LED BY HAMZA BIN AWANG AHMAD. SEPT 23 - OCT 20 U.S. TOUR BEING HANDLED BY PACIFIC WORLD ARTIST INC., 250 WEST 57TH ST., NEW YORK CITY. MAIN FORCE AT THIS END, TAN SRI DATUK HAJI MUBIN SHEPPARD HAS BEEN INFORMED BY MS. KAZUKO HILLYAR OF PACIFIC WORLD ARTISTS THAT INS NEEDS CERTIFICATION GROUP IS PRE-EMINENT IN ITS FIELD BEFORE APPROVING PETITION FOR PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCES IN U.S. SHEPPARD HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY AND DEPARTMENTAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDING SUCH CERTIFICATION.

2. ACTION: WOULD APPRECIATE EA/IMS GET IN TOUCH DIRECTLY WITH MS. HILLYAR AND INS NEW YORK TO FACILITATE APPROVAL PETITION. YOU MAY ASSURE INS HAMZA IS CONSIDERED PRE-EMINENT ARTIST IN FIELD OF SHADOW PLAYS IN MALAYSIA AND GROUP IS ONLY ONE FROM HERE TO PERFORM INTERNATIONALLY (IT HAS TOURED EUROPE TWICE, ONCE UNDER UNESCO SPONSORSHIP). PLEASE CABLE RESULTS INTERCESSION AS DELAY IN ISSUANCE VISAS COULD AFFECT ENTRANCE USIS-SPONSORED GROUPS HERE. UNDERHILL

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